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TO AMEMBASSY ANTANANARIVO

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SUBJECT: DISPOSITION OF NASA VEHICLES

REF: (A) ANTANANARIVO 0843
-- (B) STATE 026243 OF FEB 4, 1977
-- (C) STATE 177561 OF JULY 28, 1975
-- (D) ADAMS LTR TO LAFLEUR OF APRIL 1, 1977
-- (E) ANTANANARIVO 0975

1. NASA AND DEPARTMENT APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S DESIRE TO
HAVE VEHICLES MOVED. ACCORDING TO ITS RECORDS NASA HAS 38
VEHICLES LOCATED IN/ABOUT ANTANANARIVO, 18 OF WHICH ARE OFF
STATION. IT IS PRESENTLY COSTING NASA 2,500 DOLLARS
PER YEAR TO PAY PARKING FEE FOR TWO BUSES AT A PRIVATE
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PARKING LOT AND PROVIDE GUARD SERVICES FOR THE 16 VEHICLES
LOCATED AT THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE.

2. WE UNDERSTAND FROM ADAMS' LTR (REF D) THAT THE VEHICLES
AT THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE ARE NOT ROAD-WORTHY AND ARE
BADLY DETERIORATED AND NO LONGER CAPABLE OF MOVING UNDER
THEIR OWN POWER.

3. THOUGH REF A DOESN'T DETAIL THE SPECIFIC TYPES OF VEHICLES AT THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE, PROBABLY 9 OF THEM ARE THOSE WHICH NASA WAS ORIGINALLY PREPARED TO LEAVE FOR THE GDRM (SEE LIST REF B). THIS OFFER WAS REAFFIRMED IN REF C.

4. THESE OFFERS WERE PART OF SETTLEMENT PACKAGE OFFERED BY NASA WHICH HAS NEVER BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE GDRM. THUS, WE FEEL THAT PREVIOUS OFFER IS NULL AND VOID.

5. BOTH VEHICLES AND BUSES ARE EXCESS TO NASA'S NEEDS. WE WOULD THEREFORE PREFER TO FIND PERMANENT SOLUTION TO PROBLEM RATHER THAN INTERIM MOVE TO VACANT LOT.

6. PROVIDED THAT FINAL DISPOSITION CAN BE EFFECTED WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE OVERALL STATION ISSUE AND THE U.S. LEGAL CASE, NASA IS PREPARED TO INITIATE THE PROCESS FOR TRANSFERRING ALL OFF-STATION VEHICLES TO EMBASSY FOR APPROPRIATE AND FINAL DISPOSITION. SUCH DISPOSITION TO BE AT NO, OR MINIMAL COST TO NASA. OUR ONE CONCERN IS THAT GDRM UNDERSTAND THIS IS EXCEPTIONAL ACTION AND THAT NASA IS NOT REPEAT NOT TAKING STEPS TO SIMPLY ABANDON USG-OWNED EQUIPMENT. DISPOSITION IN THIS CASE WOULD BE IN ACCORD WITH STANDARD EXCESS PROPERTY REGULATIONS.

7. IN ORDER TO INITIATE PROPERTY TRANSFER ACTION, NASA NEEDS THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE VEHICLES AVAILABLE FOR THIS ACTION. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF EMBASSY WOULD SEND CONFIDENTIAL

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THIS TO NASA. INFORMATION NEEDED IS THE GSFC PROPERTY TAG NUMBER, USUALLY FOUND ON THE WINDOW PILLAR ON THE DRIVER'S SIDE. IF THIS TAG IS MISSING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS NEEDED: DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLE, MANUFACTURER, LICENSE TAG NUMBER, SERIAL NUMBER AND MILEAGE.

8. AS SOON AS PROPERTY REVIEW BOARD HAS COMPLETED ITS ACTION, NASA WILL FORWARD ITS INSTRUCTIONS TO EMBASSY.

9. PRESENTLY EXAMINING DRAFT TEXT SUBMITTED REF E - AND WORDING OF 1963 AGREEMENT PLUS EXTENSION TO SEE WHAT NOTIFICATION IF ANY ACTUALLY REQUIRED TO GDRM. WE PROPOSE THAT ACTION ON THESE VEHICLES NOT BE MADE PART OF OVERALL SETTLEMENT BUT AS QUOTE NORMAL UNQUOTE DISPOSAL ACTION OF USG OWNED PROPERTY. THEREFORE NO NEED TO PLACE PROCEEDS IN SPECIAL ACCOUNT. ALSO, WE WOULD PREFER DISPOSAL OF BUSES AS WELL AS OTHER VEHICLES. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND/OR REVISED TEXT WILL BE CABLED SHORTLY.
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